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EXPORT OF BIO-PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

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(a) whether any survey has been done to assess the export potential of domestic bio - products;

(b) if so, the steps taken to promote the export of such products to potential buyers; and

(c) the details of export of bio-products during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) & (b) : No survey has been carried out by Government to assess the export potential of the Indian biotechnology products so far. However, in view of its expected export potential, an Export Promotion Forum for Biotechnology has been registered by the All India Biotech Association.

(c) : The quantum of export of biotechnology products by Indian companies over the past three years is as follows:-

Year	Export in Rs lakhs
1997-98	33130
1998-99	31086
1999-2000	37973

Source : Department of Biotechnology